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News Release

SUPREME COURT CENSURES PRO TEM MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE

PHOENIX. The Commission on Judicial Conduct announced today that the Arizona Supreme Court has censured Judge Caryl Parker for misconduct in office. Judge Parker has served as a pro tem justice of the peace in Maricopa County since 2003, and has served as a pro tem municipal court judge in the Chandler Municipal Court since 2000.

The court's decision was based on a stipulated resolution between disciplinary counsel and the judge in which the judge admitted violating Rule 2.9 of the Code of Judicial Conduct when she engaged in improper ex parte communications and Rule 2.16(A) which required her to cooperate and be candid and honest with the commission in responding to a complaint. The full text of the stipulated resolution can be viewed on the commission's web site at www.azcourts.gov/ethics by selecting Commission on Judicial Conduct, Judicial Complaints, Case 11-259.

The commission is an independent state agency with jurisdiction over all state and local judges. It is composed of six judges, two attorneys, and three public members. The commission investigates complaints and submits recommendations in formal cases to the state supreme court for final decision.

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